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THE MULTIVERSE WAS DESTROYED!

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NOW, ALL THAT REMAINS...IS **BATTLEWORLD!**

A MASSIVE, PATCHWORK PLANET COMPOSED OF THE FRAGMENTS OF WORLDS THAT NO LONGER EXIST, MAINTAINED BY THE IRON WILL OF ITS GOD AND MASTER, VICTOR VON DOOM!

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AMONG THESE DOMAINS IS ONE LEFT DECIMATED BY WAR BETWEEN ITS HEROES AND VILLAINS. IN THIS BARREN WASTELAND WALKS A SHADOW FROM THE PAST, A MAN KNOWN AS...

OLD MAN LOGAN

FOR 50 YEARS, NOBODY KNEW WHAT HAPPENED ON THE NIGHT THE HEROES FELL AND NO ONE HAD SEEN HIDE NOR HAIR OF THE MAN CALLED LOGAN. ONLY THAT HE HAD SWORN NEVER TO UNLEASH HIS CLAWS OR RAGE EVER AGAIN. A MAN CONCERNED ONLY ABOUT HIS FAMILY.

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BUT THE TRUTH IS LOGAN WAS MIND-TRICKED INTO KILLING ALL OF THE X-MEN. IT DESTROYED HIM.

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BUT WHEN THE HULK AND HIS GANG KILLED EVERYONE HE LOVED, LOGAN SWORE TO NEVER TURN HIS BACK ON HIS DUTIES AS A HERO AGAIN AND SET OFF TO MAKE THE WORLD RIGHT AGAIN.

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IN HIS TRAVELS LOGAN CAME ACROSS THE SEVERED HEAD OF A ONCE GREAT ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE KNOWN AS ULTRON. HE TRACKED WHERE THE HEAD CAME FROM TO AN IMPOSSIBLY LARGE WALL.

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NOT UNDERSTANDING WHERE THE WALL CAME FROM OR WHAT'S ON THE OTHER SIDE...HE CLIMBED. INTO...THE KINGDOM OF APOCALYPSE, THEN A TECHNOLOGICAL ADVANCED CITY RUN BY TONY STARK, BEFORE BEING DUMPED INTO THE DEADLANDS, AND FINALLY FOUND HIMSELF IN NEW YORK CITY. A NEW YORK CITY LIKE HE HASN'T SEEN IN MANY, MANY YEARS.

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FROM A MILLION YEARS AGO.

BUT EVEN SO... IT DON'T LOOK RIGHT.

DAILY BUGLE

MAYBE I REMEMBERED IT WRONG.

MAYBE M'DEAD.

THIS IS WHAT OLD IS. CONFUSION. ACHES AND PAINS.

M'OLD.

MAYBE M'SO OLD I DON'T KNOW WHERE I AM.

MAYBE M'STILL IN VEGAS WANDERIN' 'ROUND THE DESERT LIVIN' IN MUDDLED MEMORIES FROM A TIME WHERE THE BUILDINGS STOOD STRAIGHT...

ANY OF THAT MAKES MORE SENSE THAN ME JUST DROPPIN' INTO THIS.

AND I'M BEGINNING TO GET THE FEELING THERE AIN'T NO WAY BACK. THERE AIN'T NO WAY HOME.

ALL I BEEN THROUGH IN THIS LIFE, YOU'D THINK THE WORLD WOULD GIVE ME SOME WAY TO JUST GO HOME.

BUT THIS IS ON ME... I HAD TO FOLLOW THE TRAIL. I HAD TO CLIMB THE WALL.

ULTRON'S DAMN HEAD.

I WAS TRAILIN' AN ULTRON HEAD AND I FOUND EVERYTHIN' BUT...

EVERYTHIN' BUT...

THE ALMIGHTY DOOM.

AND HE SENT ME TO HELL.

NO TRIAL. NO JURY.

YOU-- YOU GOT OLD.

THE MIND, IT STARTS TO BETRAY YOU.

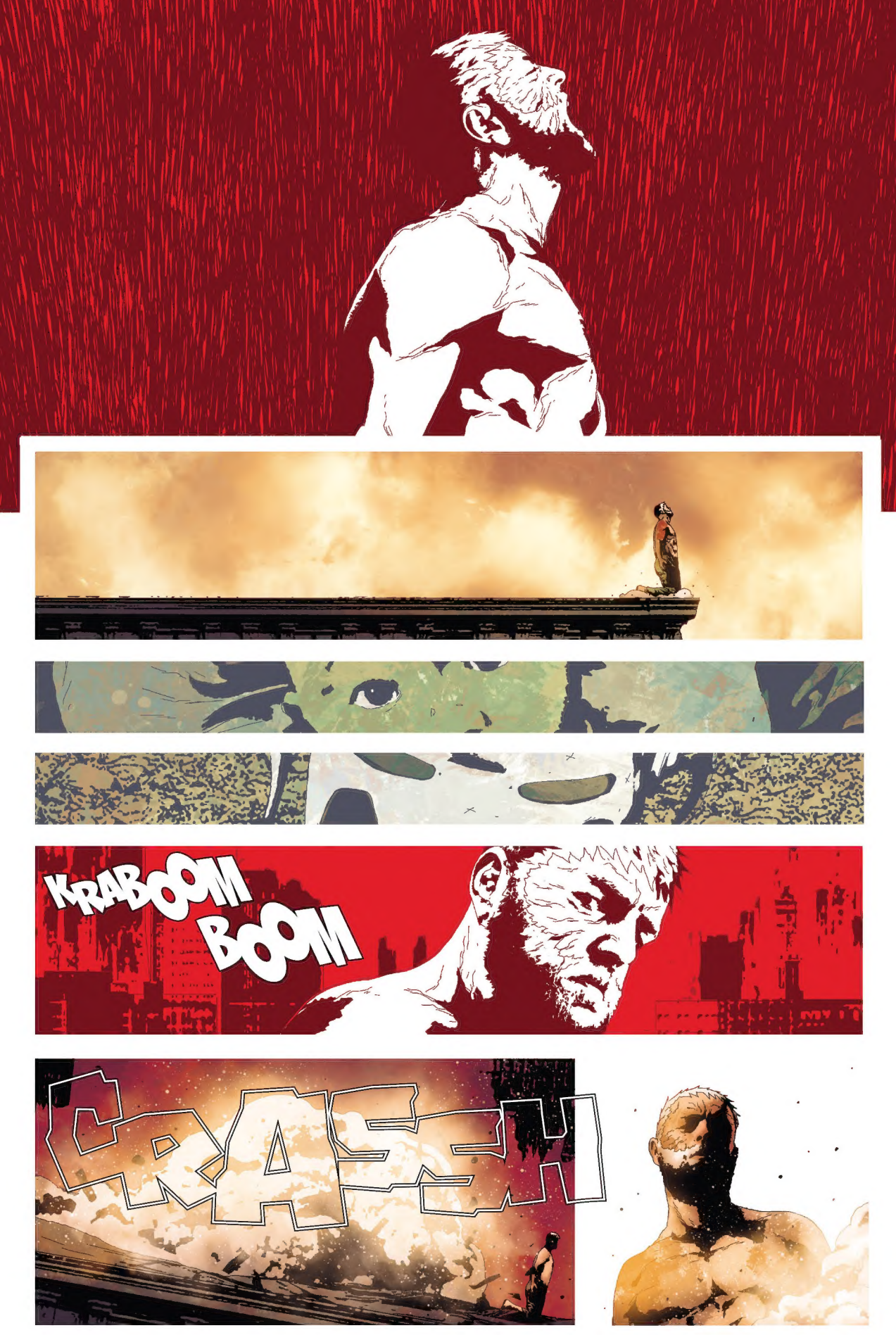
IT'S CALLED COGNITIVE DECLINE.

YOU'RE FAR FROM HOME.

YOUR BATTLE IS DONE!

DISPERSE NOW OR FEEL THE PUNISHMENT OF DOOM'S OWN HAND!

APOCALYPSE...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LOOK AT THIS PLACE. NORMAL. BEEN SO LONG SINCE I'VE SEEN NORMAL I ALMOST DIDN'T RECOGNIZE IT.
AND DAMN IF HAPPY DON'T LOOK INSANE T'ME.
WHATEVER THE SUPER HERO %#$&@FEST WAS ON TOP OF THAT TOWER IS LONG GONE...
BUT THAT DON'T MEAN IT DON'T HAVE THE ANSWERS TO MY--
LOGAN?
DON'T POP YOUR CLAWS.
DON'T MAKE A SCENE.
WOW.
EMMA FROST.
AND A VERY YOUNG JEAN GREY.
AND VERY ALIVE. BOTH A'YA.
AND NORMAL LASTED ALL OF A SECOND.

YOU LOOK OLD AS DIRT.
BUT CONSIDERING YOU WERE ACTUALLY DEAD YESTERDAY I THINK EVEN THIS IS AN IMPROVEMENT.
RIGHT BACK AT YA.
YEAH, I SEE THAT. YOU THINK I DIED IN YOUR ARMS.
(UPSETTING.)
HIS--HIS MIND IS AN ABSOLUTE MESS.
NO. IT'S NOT.
IT'S JUST WHAT'S INSIDE THAT IS...
SMELLING US. SCENTING US. IT'S HIS THING.
WHAT IS HE DOING?
YOU COULD HARDLY BLAME HIM.
BUT HE KNOWS IT'S US. HE'S THINKING IT CLEARLY.
YOU TWO READIN' MY MIND?
WELL, YOU COULD HARDLY BLAME US.
YEAH, GUESS THAT'S TRUE.
WE COULD HEAR YOU PSYCHICALLY SCREAMING DURING THE MADNESS AT STARK TOWER.
I COULDN'T BELIEVE IT.
I THOUGHT IT WAS A TRICK.
BUT... MY MY.
THE THINGS INSIDE THAT HEAD OF YOURS...YOU HAVE BEEN ON AN ADVENTURE.
LOGAN...
I'D LIKE TO HUG YOU WITHOUT YOU STABBING ME.
YOU DON'T GOTTA BE SCARED OF ME, JEAN.
S-SORRY. I'M--I'M MORE SCARED OF WHAT'S INSIDE YOUR HEAD.
WELL, CAN'T HELP THAT.
WHAT ON--
WHAT DO WE DO WITH HIM?
GIVE HIM WHAT HE DESERVES FOR ALL HIS TROUBLES.

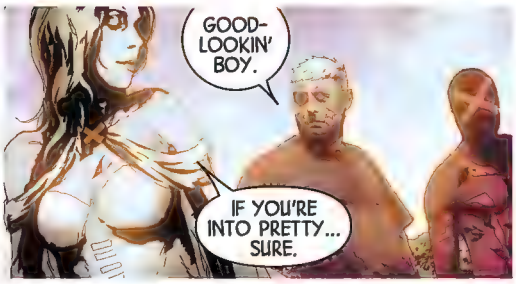
"A REUNION."
WHAT THE *%@#$^??
THANK YOU, ICEMAN...
SOMEONE HAD TO SAY IT.
RACHEL?
IT'S HIM.
HER YOU BELIEVE, SUMMERS?
JUST LOOKING FOR A SECOND OPINION.
HOW CAN HE BE FROM THE FUTURE IF HE DIED ALREADY?

HE'S FROM *A* FUTURE.
I DIDN'T SAY *OUR* FUTURE.
NOW WHAT THE HELL DOES *THAT* MEAN? HENRY?
IT MEANS, ROGUE, THAT TIME IS NOT A LINEAR CONSTRUCT, AS I HAVE TRIED, REPEATEDLY, TO EXPLAIN TO ALL OF YOU.
MULTIPLE TIMELINES, MULTIPLE DIMENSIONS...
MY HEAD HURTS.
HE'S FROM A FUTURE WHERE HE ACCIDENTALLY KILLED US.
(AND NOW WE'RE FEEDING HIM.)
YEAH, ANYONE ELSE HAVING A LITTLE TROUBLE WITH THAT?
THE REAL LOGAN WOULD NEVER LET US STAND AROUND AND TALK ABOUT HIM LIKE HE WASN'T HERE.
M'HUNGRY, ELF.
YOU'RE NOT EVEN A LITTLE SURPRISED TO SEE US, LOGAN?
SURPRISED DON'T COVER IT, RASPUTIN.
EMMA...

HE IS.
HE'S TERRIFIED.
HE FEELS-- HE FEARS HE MAY HAVE GOTTEN TOO OLD TO FUNCTION AND WE ARE JUST A HAUNTING HALLUCINATION.
HE ALSO FEARS HE MAY BE UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF A GREATER POWER LIKE MYSTIQUE OR MASTERMIND.
THE KIND OF POWER THAT DAMNED HIM TO KILL HIS FRIENDS IN THE FIRST PLACE.
BUT MOSTLY HE IS TRYING NOT TO GET HIS HOPES UP THAT THIS IS A GIANT SECOND CHANCE TO DO THINGS RIGHT.
THAT'S THE ONE.
SO...
WHAT DO WE DO WITH HIM?
ISN'T HE A DANGER TO US? TO EVERYONE?
WITH ALL THAT'S GOING ON WITH-- WITH THE CITY... SHOULDN'T WE REPORT THIS?
REPORT IT TO NICK FURY?
MUTANTS TAKE CARE OF THEIR OWN.
ACTUALLY, THERE IS SOMEONE I THINK HE SHOULD MEET.
IMMEDIATELY.

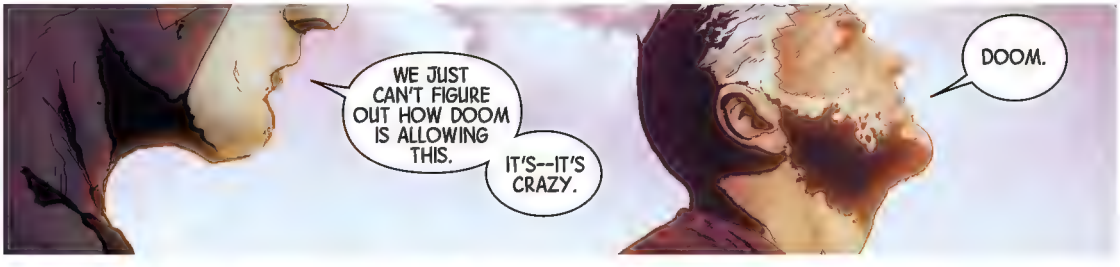
What the hell is this?
Xavier School
YEAH, WHAT THE HELL IS THIS?
THIS IS THE SON OF WOLVERINE.
WELL, A WOLVERINE.
Wow.
Kitty, shhh...
M'Jimmy Hudson.
James Hudson.
Who the hell are you?
Are--are you really him?
YUP.
So...
You're--
You're, like, my dad?

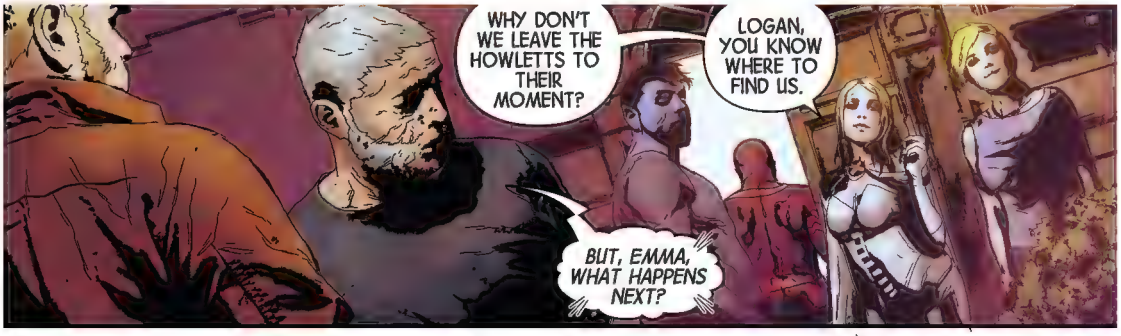
What the hell is this?!
EMMA? KID'S GOT A POINT.
LOGAN, YOU'VE BEEN THROUGH SO MUCH.
LIFETIMES OF "SO MUCH."
AND THIS LAST WEEK WASN'T EXACTLY A PARTY.
NOW HERE YOU ARE...FULLY IN THE WRONG TIME AND PLACE.
I THOUGHT YOU'D LIKE TO KNOW, ONE WAY OR ANOTHER, THAT YOUR NAME LIVES ON.
YOUR LEGACY CONTINUES...
I THOUGHT AFTER ALL YOU'VE BEEN THROUGH...YOU WOULDN'T MIND SEEING A LITTLE LIFE WITH YOUR NAME ON IT.

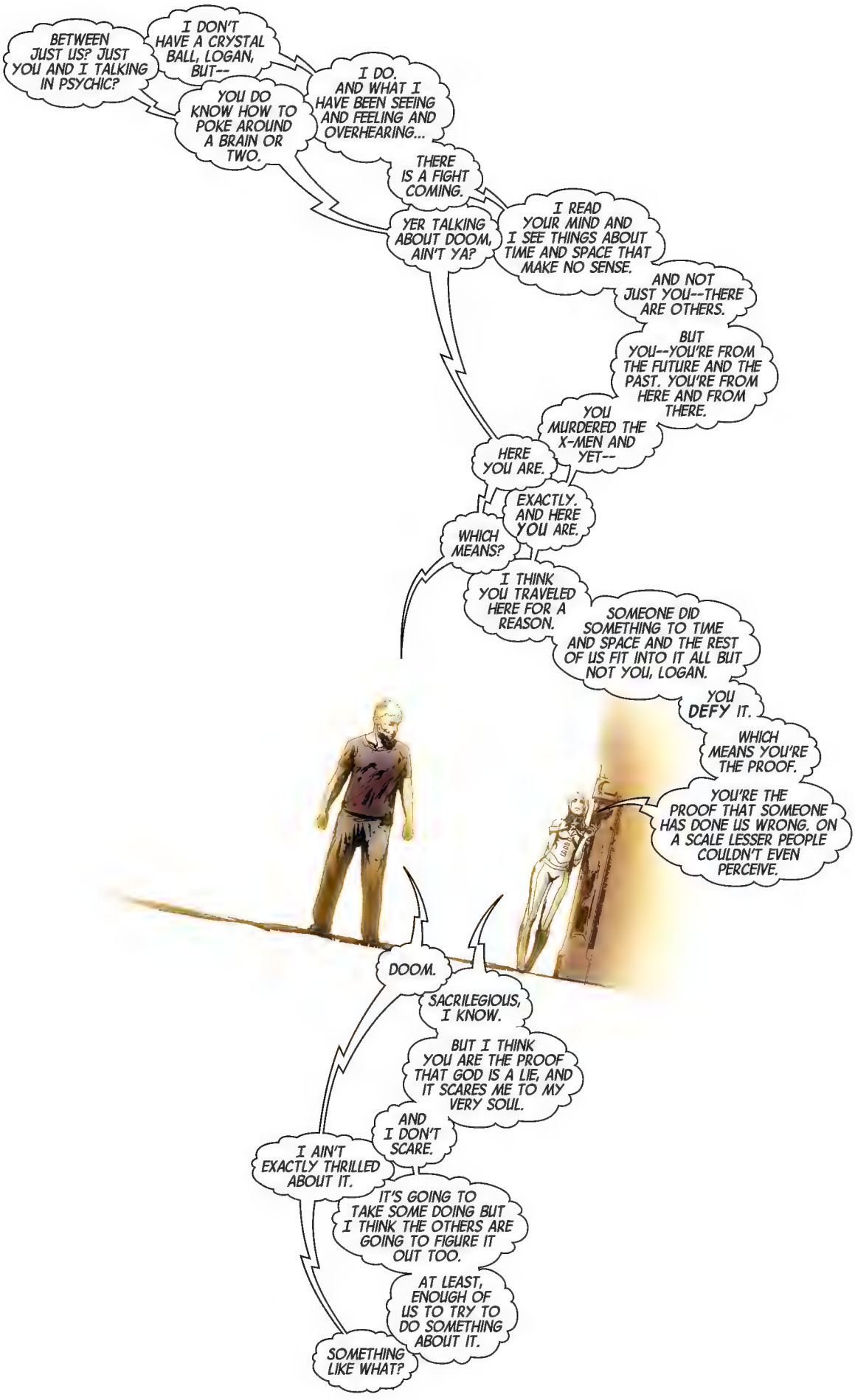

GOOD-LOOKIN' BOY.
IF YOU'RE INTO PRETTY... SURE.

YOU SAID: "A" WOLVERINE.
HE'S THE SON OF A WOLVERINE...
Yup.
WHAT IS THIS PLACE?

WE'VE BEEN WORKING ON THAT.
THERE WAS SOME KIND OF ACCIDENT.
WE SEEM TO BE TWO PLACES IN ONE PLACE.
TWO DIMENSIONS POURED ON TOP OF EACH OTHER.
THE DIFFERENCES ARE FASCINATING.
AS ARE THE SIMILARITIES.


WE JUST CAN'T FIGURE OUT HOW DOOM IS ALLOWING THIS.
IT'S--IT'S CRAZY.
DOOM.


WHY DON'T WE LEAVE THE HOWLETTS TO THEIR MOMENT?
LOGAN, YOU KNOW WHERE TO FIND US.
BUT, EMMA, WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?


BETWEEN JUST US? JUST YOU AND I TALKING IN PSYCHIC?
I DON'T HAVE A CRYSTAL BALL, LOGAN, BUT--
YOU DO KNOW HOW TO POKE AROUND A BRAIN OR TWO.
I DO. AND WHAT I HAVE BEEN SEEING AND FEELING AND OVERHEARING...
THERE IS A FIGHT COMING.
YER TALKING ABOUT DOOM, AIN'T YA?
I READ YOUR MIND AND I SEE THINGS ABOUT TIME AND SPACE THAT MAKE NO SENSE.
AND NOT JUST YOU--THERE ARE OTHERS.
BUT YOU--YOU'RE FROM THE FUTURE AND THE PAST. YOU'RE FROM HERE AND FROM THERE.
YOU MURDERED THE X-MEN AND YET--
HERE YOU ARE.
EXACTLY. AND HERE YOU ARE.
WHICH MEANS?
I THINK YOU TRAVELED HERE FOR A REASON.
SOMEONE DID SOMETHING TO TIME AND SPACE AND THE REST OF US FIT INTO IT ALL BUT NOT YOU, LOGAN.
YOU DEFY IT.
WHICH MEANS YOU'RE THE PROOF.
YOU'RE THE PROOF THAT SOMEONE HAS DONE US WRONG. ON A SCALE LESSER PEOPLE COULDN'T EVEN PERCEIVE.
DOOM.
SACRILEGIOUS, I KNOW.
BUT I THINK YOU ARE THE PROOF THAT GOD IS A LIE, AND IT SCARES ME TO MY VERY SOUL.
AND I DON'T SCARE.
I AIN'T EXACTLY THRILLED ABOUT IT.
IT'S GOING TO TAKE SOME DOING BUT I THINK THE OTHERS ARE GOING TO FIGURE IT OUT TOO.
AT LEAST, ENOUGH OF US TO TRY TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT.
SOMETHING LIKE WHAT?

"SOMETHING HUGE.

"I THINK WHEN IT'S TIME YOU'RE GOING TO HELP LEAD THE CHARGE RIGHT TO HIS FRONT DOOR."

"ME?"

"HE COULDN'T CONTROL YOU OR CONFINE YOU.

"IT'S GOING TO BE YOU."

"BUT WHY ME?"

"MAYBE EVERYTHING IN YOUR LIFE--YOUR LIFETIMES--ALL OF IT WAS TRAINING FOR THIS.

"MAYBE THE UNIVERSE TRAINED YOU FOR THE DAY IT WOULD NEED YOU TO BE YOU THE MOST."

"OR MAYBE ONLY A BASTARD CAN BEAT A BIGGER BASTARD.

"AND YOU'RE JUST THE BASTARD WE NEED WHEN WE NEED A BASTARD THE MOST."

"DAMN, EMMA."

"SORRY."

"OKAY, SO, WHAT HAPPENS AFTER THAT?"

"WHAT HAPPENS AFTER WE RISE UP AGAINST GOD?"

"I TOLD YOU, LOGAN, I'M A MIND READER, NOT A FORTUNE TELLER.

"BUT AFTER ALL WE'VE BEEN THROUGH..."

"AFTER ALL *YOU'VE* BEEN THROUGH...

"IF THE UNIVERSE CAN'T SEE FIT TO GIVE YOU A SECOND CHANCE THEN WHAT THE HELL, RIGHT?"

BECAUSE GUESS WHAT?
OLD MAN, GO SELL CRAZY SOMEPLACE ELSE.
PLEASE!
SNIKT
AIN'T SELLIN' CRAZY.
BUT I AM HAVIN' A HALF-OFF SALE.
WHICH HALF YOU WANT OFF?
UH, GARY, I THINK I KNOW WHO THAT IS.
AND WE SHOULD GO.
LIKE, RIGHT NOW.
OH $@#$@#, I THINK YOU'RE RIGHT.
%@#$@!
Y'ALL RIGHT?
PLEASE, I WANT TO GO...
YA WOULDN'T MIND TELLING ME WHERE I AM, WOULD YA?

-SNFF-

NEVER MIND.

I KNOW THAT SMELL.

NEW YORK CITY.

GOD'S ARMPIT.

DAMN, FROST WAS RIGHT.

GUESS I GET TO TRY IT AGAIN.

STARK

We are your FUTURE

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THOR SAVES LIVES

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FOLLOW LOGAN ON HIS JOURNEY THROUGH THE MARVEL UNIVERSE IN OLD MAN LOGAN #1

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